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Honorable Philip N. Asprodites Commissioner of Conservation Office of Conservation P O Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9275

RE:

10,100' Sand, Reservoir A, SUA LAUREL RIDGE FIELD Iberville Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Asprodites:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of Smith Production Company for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relative to the 10,100' Sand, Reservoir A, SUA, in the Laurel Ridge Field, Iberville Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the 10,100' Sand, Reservoir A, SUA, in the Laurel Ridge Field, Iberville Parish, Louisiana;
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the 10,100' Sand, Reservoir A, designated as the 10,100' Sand, RA SUA, as shown on the plat attached hereto;
- To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interest within the unit so created on a surface acreage basis of participation;
- 4. To designate a unit well and unit operator for the unit so created;
- 5. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;
- 6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the 10,100' Sand, Reservoir A.

The 10,100' Sand, in the Laurel Ridge Field, Iberville Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that oil and gas producing sand found between the depths of 10,108' and 10,117' (electric log measurements) in the Smith Production Company – Dugas-LeBlanc No. 1 Well located in Section 69, Township 10 South, Range 14 East, Iberville Parish, Louisiana.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation for the State of Louisiana, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on May 24, 2001. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a list of the names and addresses of the parties who were in attendance at that conference.

The conference was opened by Mr. Juan Diliberto who presented the basis plan of the applicant. Questions were asked and answered. Mr. Charlies Smith, representing Mr. Frank Tomeny, presented a counterplan. After further discussion, the parties participating in the conference have resolved their differences and the parties agreed to a compromise proposal, a copy of which is attached to this application.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a revised plat outlining the 10,100' RA SUA in the Laurel Ridge Field, Iberville Parish, Louisiana, the conference attendance list, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished **ONLY** to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, said list of parties will be provided to any party requesting a copy. A reasonable effort has been made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties or Represented Parties.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

All pertinent data relating to this proposed application may be obtained AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY from Cutright & Hardwick, P O Box 80972, Lafayette, LA 70598-0972, (337) 232-7756.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$700.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

James F. Hardwick

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cc: Mr. Richard Hudson

District Manager
Office of Conservation

Interested Parties Interested Owners Represented Parties

